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BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD



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FINANCE DOCKET NO. 32760 (SUB NO. 43)



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IN THE MATTER OF NEW YORK DOCK ARBITRATION BETWEEN UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY AND BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS & TRAINMEN

(ARBITRATION REVIEW)

RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO EXCEED PAGE LIMIT

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Without waiver of its request to dismiss the Appeal of petitioner-carrier Union Pacific Railroad Company ("UP") as untimely, respondent Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers & Trainmen ("BLET") moves the Board to enter an order permitting it to file an opposition to appeal and exhibits, which together exceed the thirty page limit set forth in 49 C.F.R. §1115.2. In support of this motion, BLET states:

- 1. UP's untimely appeal filed with the Board on or about September 20, 2004, arises from an award entered on March 2004 by Ann S. Kenis, who was appointed as New York Dock Arbitrator by the National Mediation Board. That appeal runs 27 pages. The appendix itself is 2 ½ inches high and runs about 500 pages with 28 exhibits.
- 2. Due to the lengthy nature of the document filed by UP, that its brief raises four issues to which BLET must respond, and that its argument obfuscates, misstates and fails to state facts relevant to the award or for the first time raised on its appeal, BLET must submit additional documents in rebuttal or to complete the record in order for the agency to properly rule, if it accepts jurisdiction over the matter.
- 3. This motion is also warranted by the comments set forth in paragraph 3 of UP's motion requesting waiver of the page limit regulation.
- 4. UP will not be prejudiced by the Board's permission for BLET to exceed the thirty page limit.

WHEREFORE, respondent Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers & Trainmen respectfully requests the Board to enter an order permitting respondent to file its brief and appendix, which

Respectfully submitted,

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